

### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. Claim 1 stands rejected.

Claims 2-20 are objected to.

Claim 1 has been amended, and claims 21-31 have been added by the present Amendment. No new matter has been added to the amended claim 1 and the added claims 21-31.

### **REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102:**

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2004/0046925 to Matsuda.

Matsuda Does Not Show A First Distance In A First Direction That Is Smaller Than A Second Distance In A Second Direction Between Liquid Crystal Dots

Applicants respectfully submit that Matsuda does not disclose or suggest a first distance in a first direction between liquid crystal dots being smaller than a second distance in a second direction perpendicular to the first direction between the liquid crystal dots, as recited in amended claim 1. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 is not anticipated by Matsuda.

Claim 1 recites a first distance in a first direction being smaller than a second distance in a second direction. In contrast, Matsuda at most discloses dots being separated from each other by an equal distance in both directions. (See, Examiner's Comments, March 23, 2006 Final Office Action at 3).

Since Matsuda does not disclose or suggest the limitations recited in amended claim 1, Applicants respectfully submit that amended claim 1 is not anticipated by Matsuda.

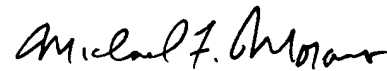
Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that Examiner withdraw the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) and that claim 1 is in condition for allowance.

**ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER**

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 2-20 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants reserve the right to rewrite claims 2-20 in independent form in a subsequent communication or response.

An early and favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any further questions or comments, the Examiner may telephone Applicants' Attorney to reach a prompt disposition of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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